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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated February 11, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 1 illustrates a system of a related art ESD protection circuit. In general, a maximum field strength against which an oxide film in an MOS transistor can endure is 6MV/cm, which corresponds to 30V if the oxide film is scaled up to a thickness of 50nm. A voltage of this magnitude can be easily

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